

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph at page 6, lines 3-7 with the following amended paragraph:

In another aspect, the present invention provides a process for preparing a mixture of crystalline desloratadine Form I and II comprising the steps of preparing a solution of desloratadine in iso-butyl acetate, combining the solution with a  $[[C_5]]$   $C_6$  to  $C_{12}$  aromatic hydrocarbon to precipitate the mixture, wherein the combining may be carried out before, after or during crystallization and recovering the mixture.

Please replace the paragraph at page 8, lines 1-4 with the following amended paragraph:

As used herein, the term  $[[C_5]]$   $C_6$  to  $C_{12}$  aromatic refers to substituted and unsubstituted hydrocarbons having a phenyl group as their backbone. Preferred hydrocarbons include benzene, xylene and toluene, with toluene being more preferred.

Please replace the paragraph at page 19, lines 17-23 with the following amended paragraph:

The mixtures of Form I and Form II for pharmaceutical formulations may be prepared by using a solution of desloratadine in a  $[[C_5]]$   $C_6$  to  $C_{12}$  aromatic hydrocarbons such as toluene. The concentration of desloratadine is preferably at least about 15% by weight. The solution is then combined with an anti-solvent, preferably a C.sub.1 to C.sub.4 alcohol such as isopropanol or methanol, more preferably in a ratio of about 7 to about 14% compared to the volume (v/v) of toluene. The resulting precipitate is then recovered by conventional techniques. Seeding to manipulate crystallization is optional.